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SUBJECT: PAROLE DOCUMENTS FOR MEMBERS OF EX-PRESIDENT THIEU'S
ENTOURAGE

REF: A. SAIGON 5672

B. STATE 97656

C. TAIPEI 2256

1. ON APRIL 30 RVN EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY DANG DUC HIEN CALLED AT HIS REQUEST ON EMBOFFS TO DISCUSS THE PAROLE DOCUMENTS HELD BY SIX OF THE GROUP WHO ARRIVED IN TAIPEI ON APRIL 26 WITH FORMER RVN PRESIDENT NGUYEN VAN THIEU. AS NOTED IN PARA 4 REF C, SIX OF THE GROUP POSSESS A JOINT PAROLE DOCUMENT IN THREE IDENTICAL ORIGINALS.
2. HIEN SAID THAT SINCE THE SIX WOULD BE TRAVELING SEPARATELY TO THE US AT AN UNSPECIFIED TIME IN THE FUTURE, THEY WOULD REQUIRE SEPARATE ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. ACCORDINGLY, HE REQUESTED THAT EMBASSY TAIPEI REISSUE SIX SEPARATE PAROLE DOCUMENTS.
3. HIEN ADDED THAT AT LEAST ONE AND POSSIBLY MORE OF THE GROUP HAD WIVES AND CHILDREN (NOT INCLUDED IN THE PAROLE DOCUMENTS) WHO HAD COME EARLIER TO TAIPEI (AND ARE STILL IN TAIPEI) AND WHO WOULD BE TRAVELING WITH THEIR PRINCIPALS.
4. EMBOFFS EXPLAINED TO HIEN THAT AT PRESENT EMBASSY TAIPEI HAD NO AUTHORIZATION FROM THE DEPARTMENT TO AMEND ANY

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PREVIOUSLY ISSUED PAROLE PAPERS AND THAT GUIDANCE FROM THE

DEPARTMENT WOULD BE REQUIRED. HIEN LEFT THE THREE ORIGINAL PAROLE PAPERS IN QUESTION WITH US PENDING RECEIPT OF GUIDANCE. HE ALSO UNDERTOOK TO PROVIDE US WITH INFORMATION ON PRINCIPALS' WIVES AND CHILDREN NOW IN TAIPEI.

5. REQUEST DEPARTMENT PROVIDE GUIDANCE ASAP ON HOW WE SHOULD RESPOND TO HIEN'S APPROACH. IN THE EVENT THE DEPARTMENT AUTHORIZES US TO RE-ISSUE PAROLE DOCUMENTS, WE WOULD NEED DETAILED GUIDANCE ON THE APPROPRIATE FORMAT AND ANY SUBSTANTIATING DOCUMENTATION REQUIRED. SPECIFICALLY, SHOULD THE FORMAT BE SIMILAR TO THAT OF THE PRESENT PAROLE DOCUMENTS (SEE BELOW), MUST DEPENDENTS' NAMES BE INCLUDED, AND WHAT IS THE LENGTH OF TIME FOR WHICH THE DOCUMENT IS VALID? (WE NOTE THAT THE DOCUMENTS PRESENTLY HELD BY THOSE MENTIONED IN REF C DO NOT REPEAT NOT HAVE ANY DATE UPON WHICH THE DOCUMENTS WOULD BECOME INVALID.)

6. FYI: THE DOCUMENTS NOW HELD BY ALL THOSE NAMED IN REF C ARE APPARENTLY XEROXED ON EMBASSY LETTERHEAD, WITH RAISED SEAL AND STAMPED CONSULAR OFFICER SIGNATURE, AND IS ADDRESSED "TO THE EXAMINING IMMIGRATION OFFICER AT THE PORT OF ENTRY". FOLLOWING IS THE TEXT:

A. "THE BELOW LISTED ALIENS HAVE BEEN GRANTED PAROLE STATUS BY THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR ENTRY INTO THE UNITED STATES WITHOUT IMMIGRANT VISA.

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B. "ALL ALIENS LISTED ABOVE WERE VERIFIED AS BELONGING TO AUTHORIZED PAROLE CATEGORIES SPECIFIED IN STATE DEPARTMENT TELEGRAM 91723 OF APRIL 22, 1975.

C. "EACH ALIEN HAS BEEN INSTRUCTED TO BRING WITH HIM ALL OF THE CIVIL DOCUMENTS IN HIS POSSESSION AND HAS BEEN GIVEN A COPY OF THIS LETTER TO PRESENT TO THE CAPTAIN OF THE AIRCRAFT TRANSPORTING HIM AND HIS FAMILY.

D. "THE NAMES OF THE ALIENS LISTED ABOVE ARE BEING CABLED TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND THE IMMIGRATION AND NATURALIZATION SERVICE
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ZATION SERVICE CENTRAL OFFICE IN WASHINGTON.

E. "IMPORTANT NOTICE: THIS DOCUMENT IS NOT VALID FOR ADMISSION INTO THE UNITED STATES AFTER

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7. IN THE EVENT ANY OF THOSE WHO HOLD THE DOCUMENT DESCRIBED
ABOVE PLAN TO TRAVEL TO THE U.S., CAN THE DOCUMENT BE
CONSIDERED VALID FOR ENTRY INTO THE US?
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